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#### BASIC PLAN

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#### 52 Demestic Field Station

## (Project AS-ACRE, Amendment So. 2)

- I. FURPOSE: To provide authorization and funds for the continuation and expansion of an agent training base (the SE Domestic Field Station formerly known as Domestic Operations Base) in the United States during Fiscal Year 1954 in support of operations against the U.S.S.R.
- II. BACKSHOUSE: The basic Project AS-ACRS, which established an agent training base in the United States was approved by ADED on 22 January 1952 and by the PRC for the remainder of Fiscal Year 1952 on 4 April 1952. Associant No. 1 which continued and expended this project for Fiscal Year 1953 was approved by ADED on 7 May 1952, by ADEC on 6 May 1952 and by MD/P on 8 May 1952.

## III. PROPOSALS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1950:

- A. It is proposed to continue the Domestic Field Station and to expand its facilities during Fiscal Year 1954 to include the following:
  - 1. A central headquarters removed from the regular GIA buildings. (Already procured).
  - 2. Ten safe houses (these include apartments in town as well as farms within a 150 mile radius of metropolitan Washington, B. C.
  - 3. A safe office for contract indigenous employees.
  - 4. A building for SAGP. (May be combined in one building with safe office, see paragraph IV-D).
  - 5. Thenty (20) contract instructors. (twelve are presently on duty).
  - 6. Three (3) bouse trailers.
  - 7. Thirty (30) vehicles to include: one 22 ton truck, three panel trucks, 26 sedans and station vagons. At the present time there are 17 vehicles assigned to the Powestic Field Station.
- B. It is estimated that the total cost to provide the above facilities and other expenses of the station will require a budget of for Fiscal Year 1954.

#### IV. DISCUSSION

- B. Buring the past three years agent training for SR Division missions, whether based in Asia or Europe, has been conducted principally in Garmany. Several factors militate against continuance of this practice:
  - 1. The ruthless energy of the Soviet Intelligence Service has penetrated and unmasked our principle training areas in Germany.
  - 2. The vast mapower peol of displaced persons which was the principal source of recruits for SR missions has largely dissipated due to emigration abroad. As a result of this, emphasis is being placed upon recruitment in the United States and the Testern Memisphere.
- C. During the past eighteen months, the Domestic Field Station of the SE Division has been developed and is now functioning as the principal agent training establishment of the SE Division. During this time the following concrete and tangible results have been achieved:
  - 1. A cadre of exceptionally well qualified operations officers has been assembled, and is presently functioning as a meleus of experience for HEDESX and HEDESX training programs which will be conducted during Fiscal Year 1954.
  - 2. A total of 23 egents has been trained by the Domestic Field Station. Of this number 6 have been dispatched to the U.S.S.R., 7 are still in training, and 8 have become disposal cases.
  - 3. A recruitment and assessment team has been created by the for the Demestic Field Station to recruit and screen prospective agent candidates for REDGEN and REDGEN missions. In view of the increased program to recruit agents in the United States and the Western Hamisphere, this team will continue to gain in

stature and acepe. Proper assessment of prospective agent candidates will greatly reduce the number of aborted missions.

- 4. A successful airborne and maritime training program
  has been established by fully qualified officers of
  the Domestic Field Station. This program uses factlities which have been furnished by the military establishment, thereby allowing considerable savings in
  construction and equipment.
- 5. The Bomestic Pield Station is serving as a training ground for future scalar intelligence officers in that junior case officers from the CIA Professional Training Sorps have been assigned to Bomestic Pield Station in positions of an apprenticeship nature. A carefully established program of "on the job" training of these junior case officers is being conducted by a cadre of experienced and qualified intelligence officers of the Bomestic Field Station staff.
- D. The primary purpose of Domestic Field Station was the spotting, assessment, recruitment, interrogation, and preparation for dispatch of MARSON agents. Experience has shown, however, that the facilities developed under Bosstic Field Station are equally suitable for the training of MARSONIN agents. In addition, close coordination with the Office of Training has determined the desirability of establishing a Soviet Area Orientation Program which will provide "on the job" training for junior case officers. Specific approval for the Soviet Area Orientation Program is requested in order to provide career recognition for the case officers who have completed this erientation.
- E. In exemining the functions of the Domestic Field Station it has become abundantly apparent that it is absolutely necessary to provide a maximum of flexibility and security to this station. When the original project AR-ACHR was written, it was intended that the Chief of the Bonestic Operation hase should be considered as an the geographically happened to be located in the United States. The origin of the Demestic Operation Base was the gradual shift of Hunich Area Training Station, Germany to the United States. This change is now being completed. The Domestic Field Station now has a qualified staff and extensive station experience. It also has a qualified finance officer. It has had a station Table of Organization. It is requested that formal recognition be given to the status/ a originally intended and that the project status of the station proper be dropped. As a station, the Domestic Field Station of SR has already one severate project to conduct: AFFEUD.

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- F. The Project Administrative Planning Staff, PD/A, has been working on the new Administrative Plan since March 1953. This plan should formalize of the Domestic Field Station and elaborate on the degree of responsibility and autonomy to be exercised by the Chief, Domestic Field Station.
- G. The operations of the Domestic Field Station were considered as joint FI and FP in FI 53. Half of the funds were provided for FP function on the assumption that agents trained in FI/HEDECK methods would be available for FP methods at the target site. It has been determined by experience that the FF interest is small and secondary. Although some training is of para-military nature and some of the staff are career military personnel, it has been determined that the FM interest is also small and secondary. In Fiscal Tear 1954 all operations are primarily of FI interest.

#### V. CONTENTORS:

- The continuation and expansion of Benestic Field Station is necessary in order to provide proper support for SR Division operations against the U.S.S.R.
- 2. An Administrative Plan to give the Chief of Demestic Field Station the necessary latitude of authority to cover the inherent problems in sensitive agent training is requisite for efficient operations.

#### VI. RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. That the station budget for FI operations of Bomestic Field Station be approved in the amount of for Fiscal Year 1954.
- 2. That Domestic Field Station be given status with special provisions to be detailed in proposed Administrative Flan.